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- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 06 April 2002.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-21 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-21 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- 11) ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on _____ is: a) ☐ approved b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.
- If approved, corrected drawings are required in reply to this Office action.
- 12) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120

- 13) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.
- 14) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application).
- a) ☐ The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received.
- 15) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s). _____ |
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DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1-21 are pending in this application.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

2. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

3. Claims 1-21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over US Patent No. 6,343,271 issued to Peterson et al. (hereinafter Peterson) in view of US Patent No. 6,195,651 issued to Handel et al. (hereinafter Handel).

With respect to claim 1, Peterson discloses providing a remote server having a database; accessing the remote server via a first remote computer on a computer network (col. 7, lines 44-67, col. 16, lines 9-34 and see fig. 10).

Peterson does not explicitly indicate, "creating a website having a first web page by the remote computer on the remote server wherein the website relates to a

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healthcare provider providing healthcare services; assigning pre-defined attributes to the website that uniquely identify the website; and linking the website to the database wherein the database is searchable via a search engine wherein the search engine searches the database for specific attributes.”

However, Handel discloses web pages, healthcare services, database and search engines as claimed (see figs 10A-10B and 18, col. 9, lines 48-62, col. 12, lines 25-47 and lines 66-67, col. 13, lines 1-25, col. 17, lines 14-67, col. 18, lines 1-6, col. 29, lines 65-67, col. 30, lines 1-67 and col. 31, lines 1-42).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Peterson with the teachings of Handel so as to obtain a method for creating websites for individuals, healthcare facilities and other healthcare providers because the combination would provide have a benefits system which allows practitioners to access information on-line, and healthcare provides have access to patient information in preparation for consulting with a patient and the processing system comprising the Internet or other WANs or direct dial access may be used to support the communications infrastructure (Peterson – col. 4, lines 6-67 and col. 5, lines 1-21) in the healthcare provider providing healthcare services environment.

With respect to claims 2-7, Peterson discloses a method for creating websites for individuals, healthcare facilities and other healthcare providers as discussed in claimed 1.

Peterson does not explicitly indicate, "searching the database for the specific attributes; creating an update button on the website for instantly amending the database when the update button is chosen by the healthcare provider; storing the pre-defined attributes on the database for recall of the attributes for placement on the website; networking a plurality of databases for storing the websites; accessing the remote server for recalling the website stored on the database; and adding links to the website for linking other websites relating to other healthcare providers to the website."

However, Handel discloses searching databases and web pages as claimed (see figs 10A-10B and 18, col. 9, lines 48-62, col. 12, lines 25-47 and lines 66-67, col. 13, lines 1-25, col. 17, lines 14-67, col. 18, lines 1-6, col. 29, lines 65-67, col. 30, lines 1-67 and col. 31, lines 1-42).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Peterson with the teachings of Handel so as to obtain a method for creating websites for individuals, healthcare facilities and other healthcare providers because the combination would provide have a benefits system which allows practitioners to access information on-line, and healthcare provides have access to patient information in preparation for consulting with a patient and the processing system comprising the Internet or other WANs or direct dial access may be used to support the communications infrastructure (Peterson – col. 4, lines 6-67 and col. 5, lines 1-21) in the healthcare provider providing healthcare services environment.

With respect to claims 8-14, Peterson discloses a method for creating websites for individuals, healthcare facilities and other healthcare providers as discussed in claimed 1.

Peterson does not explicitly indicate, "adding one or more photographs, graphics and logos to the website via the remote computer; associating the website with one or more practitioners who practice at least one of a practice, a clinic, a hospital or a healthcare facility; creating one or more web pages on the website having information thereon related to the healthcare provider wherein the healthcare provider has a practice location; accessing the database via a second remote computer; searching the database for the attributes of the website; and displaying the website; choosing pre-defined information to add to the website wherein the information uniquely identifies the website for searching of the website for the pre-defined information; adding a plurality of web pages to the website related to the healthcare provider; and organizing the attributes into files for storage within the database; and searching the files via a search engine for at least one of the attributes stored within the database."

Handel discloses logos, ASP pages, health care facility, displaying the web page to users, database and search engines as claimed (col. 36, lines 6-36, col. 42, lines 10-67; and col. 43, lines 1-67; see figs 10A-10B and 18, col. 9, lines 48-62, col. 12, lines 25-47 and lines 66-67, col. 13, lines 1-25, col. 17, lines 14-67, col. 18, lines 1-6, col. 29, lines 65-67, col. 30, lines 1-67 and col. 31, lines 1-42).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Peterson with the

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teachings of Handel so as to obtain a method for creating websites for individuals, healthcare facilities and other healthcare providers because the combination would provide have a benefits system which allows practitioners to access information on-line, and healthcare provides have access to patient information in preparation for consulting with a patient and the processing system comprising the Internet or other WANs or direct dial access may be used to support the communications infrastructure (Peterson – col. 4, lines 6-67 and col. 5, lines 1-21) in the healthcare provider providing healthcare services environment.

With respect to claim 15, Peterson discloses a remote server having a database therein on a computer network; a first remote computer connected to the remote server via the computer network as claimed (col. 3, lines 65-67, col. 4, lines 1-20 and col. 5, lines 1-26; col. 7, lines 44-67 and col. 16, lines 9-34).

Peterson does not explicitly indicate, “a website having a web page is created on the remote server via the remote computer using pre-defined information contained on the remote server wherein the website relates to a first healthcare provider providing healthcare services and further wherein the website is stored on the database; and pre-defined attributes associated with the website for uniquely identifying the website in the database.”

However, Handel discloses web pages and database as claimed (col. 9, lines 48-62, col. 12, lines 25-47 and lines 66-67, col. 13, lines 1-25, col. 17, lines 14-67, col. 18, lines 1-6, col. 29, lines 65-67).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Peterson with the teachings of Handel so as to have a system for creating websites for healthcare providers because the combination would provide have a benefits system which allows practitioners to access information on-line, and healthcare provides have access to patient information in preparation for consulting with a patient and the processing system comprising the Internet or other WANs or direct dial access may be used to support the communications infrastructure (Peterson – col. 4, lines 6-67 and col. 5, lines 1-21) in the healthcare provider providing healthcare services environment.

With respect to claims 16-21, Peterson discloses a system for creating website for healthcare provides as discussed in claim 15.

Peterson does not explicitly indicate, “an update button on the website for instantly amending the website; an update button on the website for instantly amending the pre-defined attributes contained in the database; a search engine on the remote server for searching the database for the website via the attributes; a plurality of databases networked together for storing and accessing the website; a second remote computer wherein the second remote computer accesses the website; and links on the website for linking other websites to the website.”

However, Handel discloses web pages and database as claimed (col. 9, lines 48-62, col. 12, lines 25-47 and lines 66-67, col. 13, lines 1-25, col. 17, lines 14-67, col. 18, lines 1-6, col. 29, lines 65-67).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to combine the teachings of Peterson with the teachings of Handel so as to have a system for creating websites for healthcare providers because the combination would provide have a benefits system which allows practitioners to access information on-line, and healthcare provides have access to patient information in preparation for consulting with a patient and the processing system comprising the Internet or other WANs or direct dial access may be used to support the communications infrastructure (Peterson – col. 4, lines 6-67 and col. 5, lines 1-21) in the healthcare provider providing healthcare services environment.

Contact Information

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Anh Ly whose telephone number is (703) 306-4527. The examiner can be reached on Monday - Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner are unsuccessful, see the examiner's supervisor, Kim Vu, can be reached on (703) 305-4393.

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